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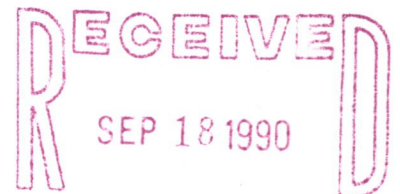
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Mr. David Tetta, HW112
Chief, RCRA Compliance Section
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101



Re: U.S. EPA v. Hillman Properties
EPA Docket No. 1088-01-01-3008

WASTE MANAGEMENT BRANCH

Dear Mr. Tetta:

I have enclosed a copy of the final closure report with engineer's certification reporting the final cleanup activities at Building 5 of the Columbia Business Center. Originals of the report have been sent to Mr. Jack Boller of EPA and Mr. Howard Steeley of the Washington Department of Ecology.

This final report summarizes the excavation and sampling conducted at Building 5 in the spring and summer of 1990. Quarterly groundwater monitoring results have been submitted to EPA either on an as-received basis or with monthly progress reports.

As the final report states, soil contaminated with lead at levels greater than those approved by EPA and Ecology have been removed and properly disposed. Hillman is now in the process of completing the petition for delisting, which will be submitted to EPA as soon as possible. In addition, Hillman is awaiting a report of the results of RFA activities undertaken by EPA's contractor, Ecology & Environment.

We trust the report will finally resolve issues relating to Building 5, and that the RFA process will be

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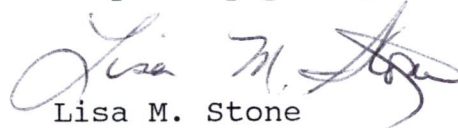


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expeditiously completed so Hillman Properties can close its books on this issue.

Very truly yours,



Lisa M. Stone

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Enclosure

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